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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner's allowance of claims 1-38 is respectfully acknowledged.

Claims 1-38 have been amended only to make some minor grammatical improvements and to correct some minor antecedent basis problems so as to put the claims in better form for issuance in a U.S. patent.

No new matter has been added, and no new issues with respect to patentability have been raised.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the claims be approved and entered, and it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-38 remain in condition for allowance.

It is respectfully submitted, moreover, that the amendments to the claims are not related to patentability, and do not narrow the scope of the claims either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents.

THE DRAWINGS

Figs. 1B, 3 and 6 have been amended to delete direction arrow "AD," to correct the informality pointed out by the Examiner.

Submitted herewith are replacement sheets of drawings which incorporate the amendments and annotated sheets showing the changes made thereto.

No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the Examiner's objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

THE SPECIFICATION

The specification has been amended to correct some minor informalities of which the undersigned has become aware, including the informality pointed out by the Examiner.

No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the specification be approved and entered, and that the objection to the specification be withdrawn.

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In view of the foregoing, entry of this Amendment and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



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Amendments to the Drawings:

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Attachments: Replacement Sheets
Annotated Sheets Showing Changes

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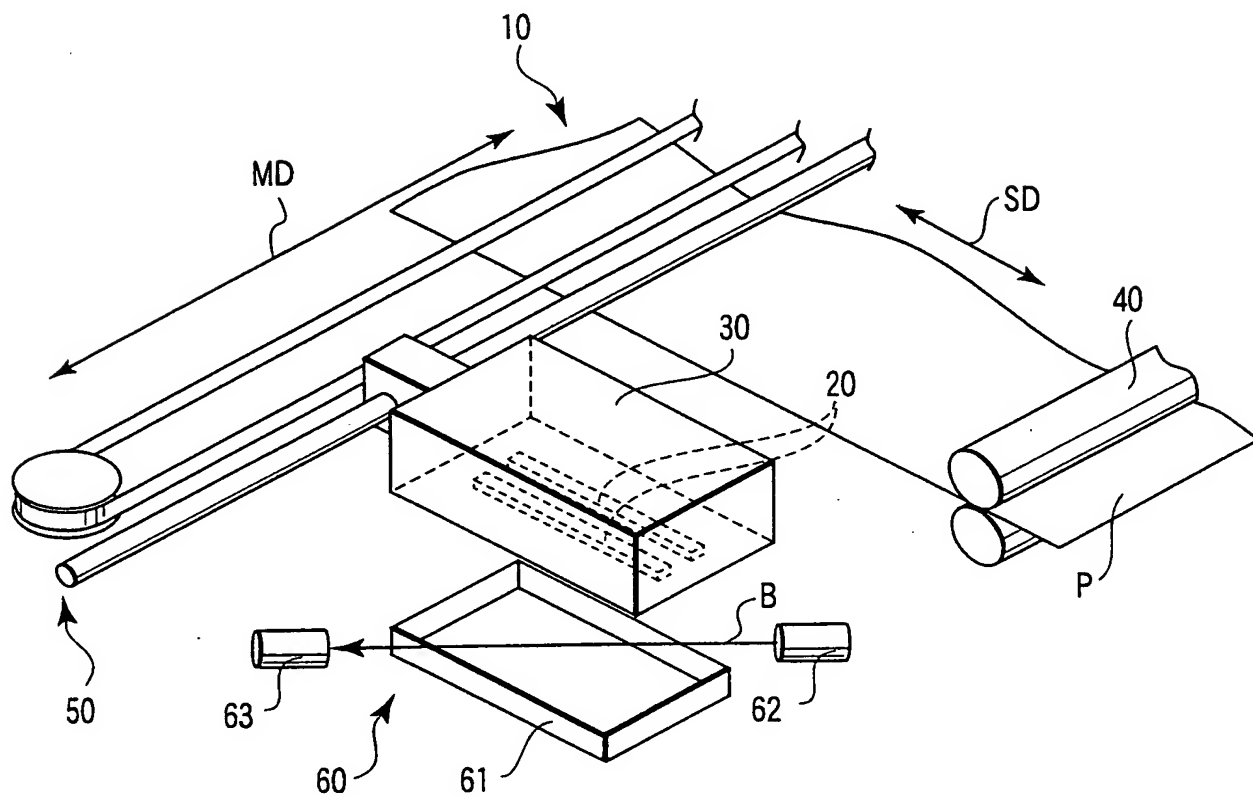


FIG. 1A

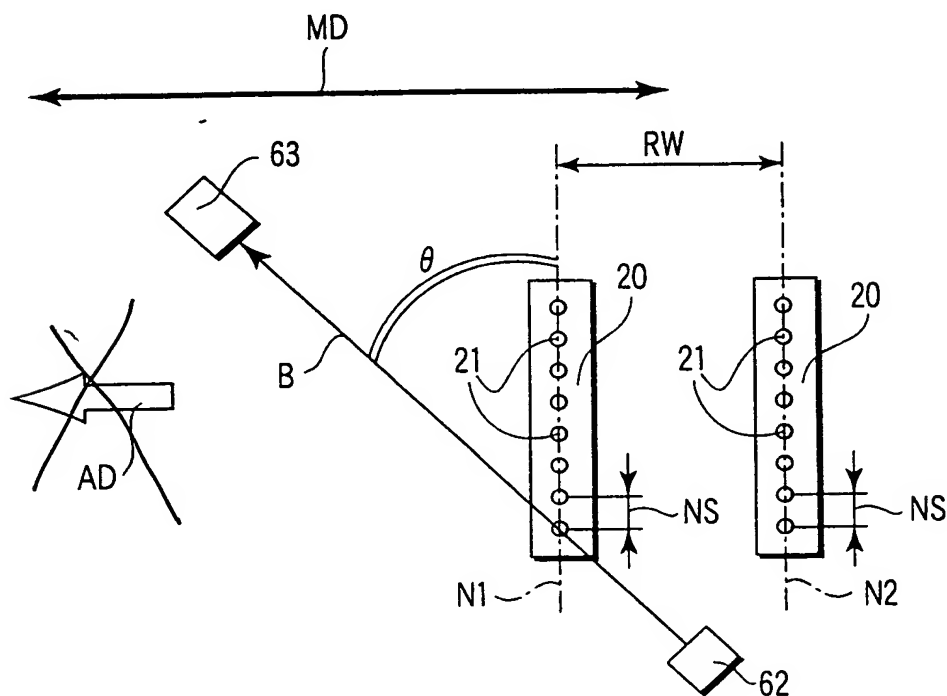


FIG. 1B

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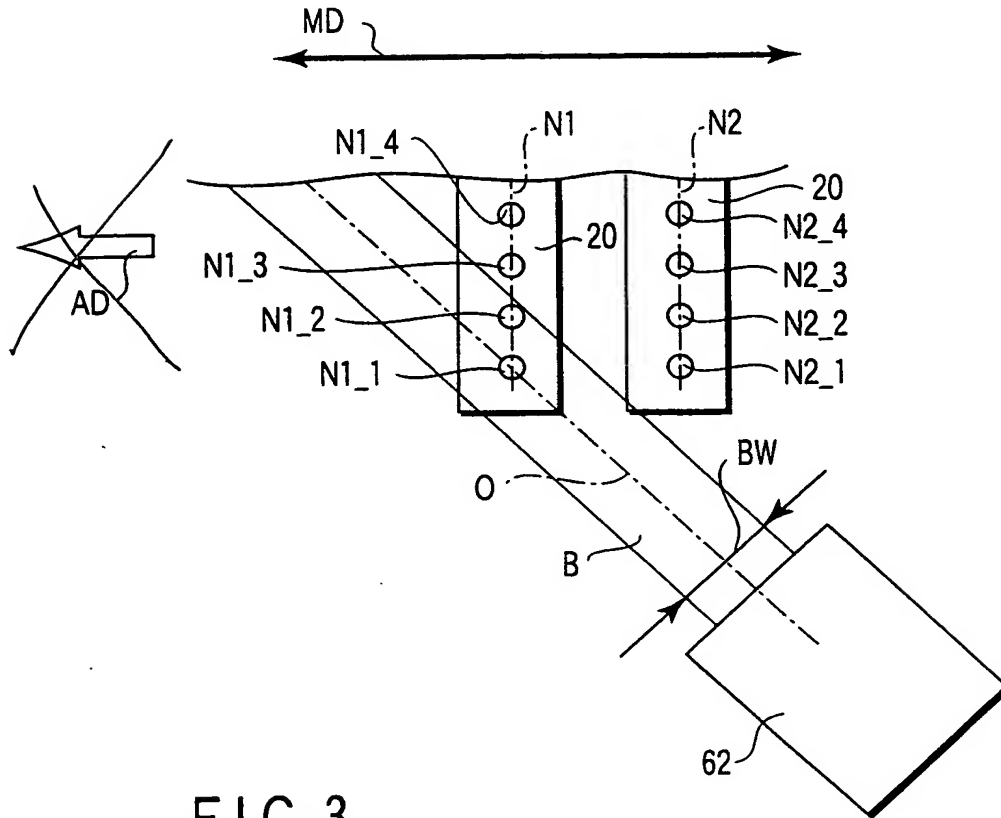


FIG. 3

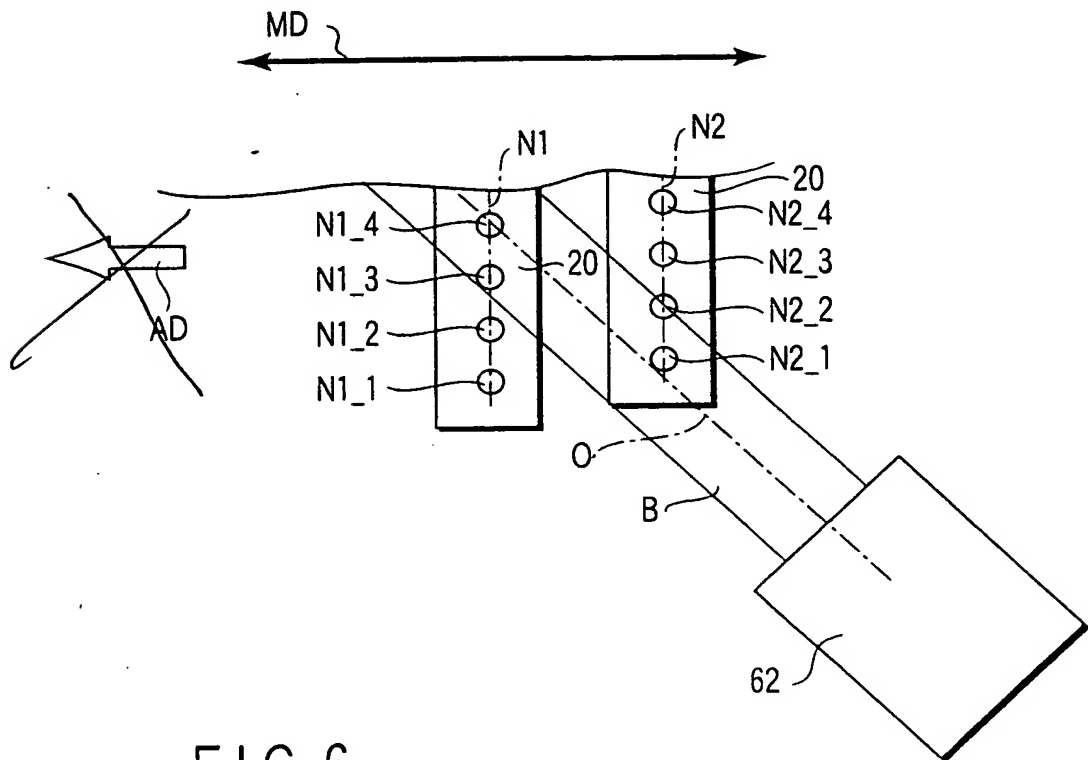


FIG. 6